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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
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JACK GORALSKY, Psy.D.	:	Administrative Action
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LICENSED TO PRACTICE	:	
PSYCHOLOGY IN THE	:	CONSENT ORDER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of a complaint from P.V. regarding the psychological services offered by Jack Goralsky, Psy.D. ("respondent") to P.V.'s adult daughter B.V. P.V. alleged that respondent attempted to bill him for the services provided to B.V. although the services should have been provided free of charge as first promised or a fee should have been discussed with B.V. Further, P.V. alleged that respondent should have terminated treatment with B.V. because conflicts between respondent and P.V. diminished the effectiveness of the therapy which respondent was providing to B.V. On September 30, 2002, respondent appeared with

his counsel, Michael Keating Esq. before a committee of the Board for an investigative inquiry.

Upon review of the whole record, including the testimony of the respondent at the investigative inquiry, it appears to the Board that respondent had a long relationship with P.V. In fact, respondent had worked with and had been the superior of P.V. for approximately twenty-five years and had considered himself a mentor for P.V. Despite the longstanding relationship between respondent and P.V., respondent testified that during this period, he had seen P.V.'s first wife and second wife in therapeutic relationships. In January 2001, respondent began to provide psychological services to B.V., the daughter of P.V. During the time B.V. was a patient, respondent loaned her money to help pay for her college books.

The Board finds that the above described conduct is in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:42-10.3 which prohibits conflicts of interest. Respondent engaged in conflicts of interest by entering into treatment relationships with individuals which a reasonable psychologist in similar circumstances would expect to limit objectivity, impair professional judgment or increase risk of exploitation. Further, said conduct is deemed professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.A.C. 45:1-21(e).

The respondent being desirous of resolving this matter without resort to formal proceedings, and the Board having determined that the following provisions are sufficiently protective of the public interest and welfare, and for good cause shown,

IT IS ON THIS *18th* DAY OF *October*, 2007

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

2. Respondent shall be assessed the costs to the State in this matter in the amount of two thousand, three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$2,325.000).

3. The total amount of three thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$3,325.00) shall be paid in 24 consecutive, equal monthly installments commencing upon filing of the within Order. Each payment shall be due on or before the fifteen day of each month until the penalty and costs are paid in full. Payment shall be made by **certified check or money order**, payable to the State of New Jersey, and sent to J. Michael Walker, Executive Director, Board of Psychological Examiners, P.O. Box 45017, Newark, New Jersey 07101. If any payment is untimely, the full amount shall be immediately due and payable.

4. For a minimum period of six months following the entry of the within Order, respondent shall practice only under the supervision of a New Jersey licensed psychologist approved by the Board. Respondent shall be required to obtain one hour of supervision each week. The supervisor shall be provided by respondent with a copy of the Consent Order, and respondent shall cause the supervisor to provide quarterly reports directly to the Board which shall include an informed evaluation of the respondent's patient treatment and professional practice including, but not limited to, dual relationships, crossing of boundaries, and conflicts of interest.

5. Respondent shall attend and successfully complete a boundaries course that is approved in advance by the Board. Upon proof of successful completion, the Board will re-evaluate the need for ongoing practice under supervision. The cost of the boundaries course is the sole responsibility of the respondent. Upon completion of the boundaries course Respondent must make a written request to the Board for re-evaluation of the supervision requirement. In addition to the written request respondent shall have the boundaries course submit a written report that he successfully completed the course to the Board in order for the Board to consider a re-evaluation.

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6. A Certificate of Debt shall be filed immediately upon entry of the Order in the full amount due and owing and shall be discharged upon satisfaction of the debt.

STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER

By: Nancy Friedman Ph.D.
Nancy Friedman, Ph.D.
Chair

I have read and understand
the within Order and agree
to be bound by its terms.
Consent is hereby given
to the Board to enter this
Order.

Jack Choralaky Psy.D

This Order is agreed to as to
form and entry.

Michael Keating, Esq.